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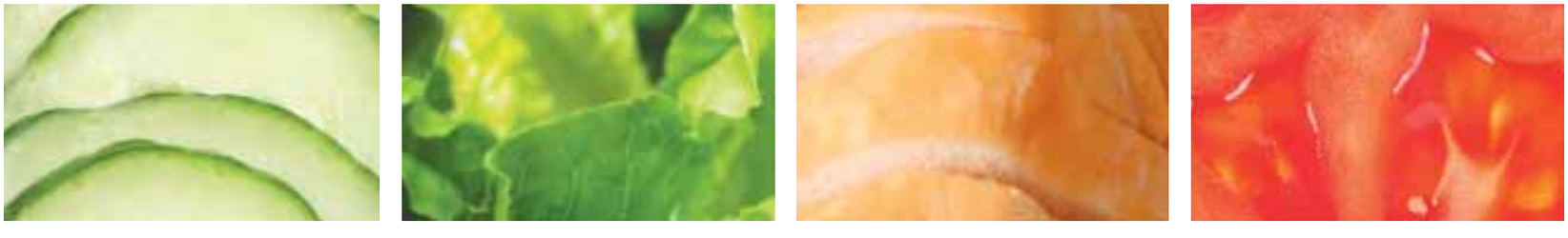

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CUP OF DREAMS

Scott Lombardi, left, captain of the London Nationals Junior B hockey team, accepts congratulations from Mayor Joe Fontana on Tuesday at city hall, after the team won the Sutherland Cup this month. The 2012-13 Nationals are the first team in London history to win a Junior B title. MARK SPOWART/FOR METRO

Bring on the hockey, bring on the cash

Ka-ching! Big bucks expected as city pegged to host the 2014 Memorial Cup

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Ron Scarfone has vivid memories of the Memorial Cup's first pass through London.

The 2005 hockey tournament, he said, was "by far" the busiest 10 days in the 30-year history of Joe Kool's restaurant. News that the cup is making a second pass through the Forest City in May of next year was music to the restaurant manager's ears — as it will be to his cash register.

As London Knights head coach Dale Hunter put it, the Memorial Cup is "bigger than just on the ice. The whole atmosphere … it's great for hockey (and the city)," he said.

The Ontario Hockey League granted hosting duties to London on Tuesday, about 12 hours after the Knights clinched the league championship.

Other host contenders — the Barrie Colts and Windsor Spitfires — missed out mostly because London is primed to put another strong roster on the ice in 2013-14, OHL commissioner David Branch said.

The selection committee, made up of sports-industry bigwigs, felt the three bids were equally strong in most other criteria, such as facility quality and nearby accommodations.

Tourism London general manager John Winston estimates the event will pump $8 million to $10 million into the local economy. The impact, he said, will be larger than the World Figure Skating Championships, hosted at Budweiser Gardens in March.

Some restaurants complained at the time that city officials had overestimated the benefit of the event.

"We've learned that (the skating worlds) didn't create as much of an impact on restaurant tourism, generally, because of the compactness of the event," Winston said, adding the nature of the Memorial Cup schedule should promote more downtown walk-in traffic.

In terms of actual visitors coming to the Forest City, the worlds brought in about 3,000, Winston says. About 1,500 are expected next May — a lower total because the national championship is expected to attract plenty of local fans.

As part of their bid, the Knights put ticket packages on sale for a $25 deposit. The sales target of 7,000 packages was met in a matter of days.

Big send-off

- The city plans to send its Ontario Hockey League champs off to this year's Memorial Cup tournament in grand style.
- A cavalcade of vehicles will start assembling at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday at the former Electro-Motive Diesel plant (2021 Oxford St. E.).
- At 2 p.m., the cars will follow the team to the airport.

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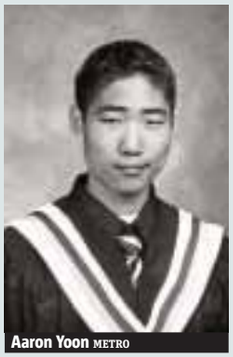
Terrorism charges



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Prosecutors want longer sentence for Aaron Yoon

Prosecutors are calling for a Londoner, jailed on terrorism-related charges, to spend more time behind bars.

Aaron Yoon, serving a two-year prison sentence in Mauritania, should be imprisoned from up to 10 years, prosecutors say.

The 24-year-old was one of about a dozen prisoners, involved in eight different terrorism files, who appeared before three appeal court judges this week in the Mauritanian capital.

Yoon's original sentence was handed down in July after he was convicted of conspiracy to join a terrorist group.

During this week's hearing, Yoon denied any involvement with a terrorist organization and told the court he only travelled to Mauritania to learn Arabic and to study the Qu'ran. He's previously said he was tortured into admitting his alleged involvement with al-Qaida in the Islamic Magreb (AQIM).

The presiding judge reserved a decision on the appeal until June 9.

Meantime, on the sidelines of the proceedings, a former inmate who spent time in prison with Yoon, said in an interview that Yoon was "less fortunate" than his high school friends, Ali Medlej and Xristos Katsiroubas.

Canadian sources have told Torstar News Service that those two were arrested in Mauritania, but were later released.

Medlej, 24, and Katsiroubas, 22, became headline names when their bodies were found among those of al-Qaida-linked militants who stormed an Algerian gas plant in mid-January.

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Ontario Hockey League. Not everyone jumping for joy about Memorial Cup coming to London in 2014

When a decision has multiple teams and their respective cities emotionally invested, it's never pretty.

That was the case Tuesday as the Ontario Hockey League awarded Memorial Cup hosting duties to London for the second time in less than a decade. Immediately after the announcement, criticisms started flowing onto social media and news sites.

"Very disappointed at decision on 2014 Memorial Cup. When will #barrie get a fair shake from the OHL?" Barrie Mayor Jeff Lehman, who was on the Barrie Colts bid committee, tweeted.

OHL commissioner David Branch METRO

Windsor Spitfires head coach Bob Boughner took a similar tone with the media.

"London does have a good team coming back and so do we," he was quoted as saying. "We have a good building and financial plan. There's not a lot more to prove in that department."

The site selection committee chose London because the Knights had the best bid, plain and simple, OHL commissioner David Branch said.

A common Tuesday qualm — that the "rich is getting richer" — has no legs, he said.

"We've had it in Guelph, Peterborough," Branch said, listing two OHL markets on the smaller side, "but, I mean, we recognize the importance of making this event accessible for all our markets."

JOHN MATISZ/METRO

Infrastructure

Proposed "legacy" projects:

- **Virtual OHL hall of fame.** Forty players and six coaches to be inducted
- **Foundation for OHL alumni.** Intended to help former players who fall on hard times

Public money well spent?

City council. With a $4,000 price tag, some experts are saying a city hall promotional video is a bit off the mark

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When city council made "at your service" its new mantra, who could have known the mission would include serving up a promotional video.

That's exactly what's happened, and, at least some experts aren't sure the video's $4,000 price tag was money well spent.

"Predominantly, (the video is) generic statements and a lot of images of people — many of which we don't know who they are or what they do," said Craig Trevor from Compel Media, a London marketing and advertising firm.

Released this week, the four-minute video features clips of more than 90 city employees at work. The goal, officials said, was to promote the city as not only a great place to live, but a great place to work as well.

Two city employees are featured in this screenshot from the city's new At Your Service promotional video. CONTRIBUTED

The video, posted on the city's website and YouTube page, also will be used for recruitment and to celebrate the work of civic staff.

Though the professional pride shown is respectable, Trevor said the video doesn't really home in on what makes London special.

"That video could have been made by any one of a hundred Canadian cities," he noted. "Some more facts about employment and what goes on in London could have made it more interesting."

Corey Dubeau, a partner of London's Atmos Marketing group, agrees.

"There was nothing about the video that emphasized the level of quality or commitment to the services being provided — it was almost like an index of all the jobs that exist rather than a showcase of unique aspects," he said.

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Watch it online

Want to see what a $4,000 video looks like?

- **Online.** Watch the At Your Service promo at metronews.ca
- **Why it was created.** The video was commissioned after an Environics research poll showed Londoners don't really know what happens at city hall, city manager Art Zuidema said.
- **Quote.** "I can tell you that number jumped off the page at us," Zuidema said. "It was a kind of 'eureka' moment for all of us at the time."

Health issues

London hospital ahead of the curve

A study looking at technology used for mammography has found that one type is less effective at detecting breast cancer than others.

The Cancer Care Ontario study found that computed radiography, or CR, is 21 per cent less effective at detecting breast cancer than digital radiography, or DR.

St. Joseph's Health Care, the only London hospital that does mammograms, transitioned fully to digital radiography in 2006, officials said. But, other hospitals haven't quite made the leap. Ontario will spend $25 million to phase out old devices.

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Ontario politics

NDP adds third budget demand

The New Democrats are adding a third condition to their post-budget demands.

Before the NDP will support the budget — and allow the minority Liberals to avoid an election — the Grits must drop plans to allow single drivers in high-occupancy lanes for a fee, NDP Leader Andrea Horwath said on Tuesday.

Horwath warned her party can't support the budget if it adds any new tolls, fees or taxes for individuals while giving corporations a $1.3-billion tax loophole. The NDP want to see a real plan to fund public transit, she said.

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Heritage district? Council votes to put Blackfriars development on hold

Blackfriars residents have made their voices heard and had their wish granted.

City council voted unanimously Tuesday to put development in the neighbourhood on hold for a year while officials consider designating it a heritage district.

Kevin Bice, who lives in the area, feels like a burden has been lifted off his shoulders.

He and others started a campaign to preserve the area last month after learning of a developer's plans to demolish homes and replace them with five-bedroom duplexes.

"We were acting in a panic when this first happened," Bice said. "We knew we had to act quickly."

After the neighbourhood issued its call to action, city planning staff turned up a rarely used bylaw that puts the skids on projects — including those that are pending — while clear development guidelines are drafted.

Council also approved making a heritage district for the area a "priority."

"They have supported us so strongly, they weren't indifferent to our concerns," Bice said about the reaction from city hall. "It has been tremendously gratifying to see these results."

MARK SPOWART/FOR METRO

Where it's at

The Blackfriars neighbourhood is sandwiched between Oxford Street, Riverside Drive, Wharncliffe and the Thames River.

City bylaw

Overnight parking restriction to be lifted Saturday

People will be able to leave their vehicles on city streets overnight after Saturday.

A city bylaw prohibiting parking between 3 a.m. and 5 a.m. is lifted for most streets every May. It returns after Labour Day weekend.

While motorcycles and cars will be in the clear, commercial vehicles, mobile homes and trailers are still banned.

The city is reminding people that vehicles can't be left for longer than 12 hours at a time.

Questions should be directed to 519-661-4537.

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$14,000 grant

Grants lead to greener playgrounds

Students at a handful of London schools will soon have shadier playgrounds thanks to a grant from CN.

The $14,000 grant to ReForest London comes through CN's EcoConnexions From the Ground Up program. The initiative aims to make public spaces a tad greener with a focus placed on properties near rail lines.

So far, ReForest London has committed to planting projects at Holy Family Catholic School, St. Paul Catholic School, St. Robert Catholic School and Matthews Hall. METRO

'Agent of change': New director, new direction

Thursday vote.
Changes abound for Middlesex-London Health Unit

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The Middlesex-London Health Unit's new director is getting a trial by fire, one might say.

Still, as he describes it, in the "honeymoon phase" of his post, the agency's board is expected to vote Thursday on a report that will frame Dr. Christopher Mackie's mandate for years to come.

"Every organization needs to go through a period of renewal, and I think that is where the health unit is right now," said Mackie, who was hired to be "an agent of change" within the organization.

Part of that "renewal" is expected to come from the board's decision on the next steps in a top-to-bottom look at ways to become more efficient and cut costs.

PricewaterhouseCoopers, hired by the board to do the analysis, presented an interim report last week that praised the organization for a lack of overlap in positions and administrative duties.

At the same time, the report says many of the organization's functions are "highly manual," suggesting money could be saved if officials embraced technology. It also points to an "inherent disconnect" between planning and budgeting, saying the organization spends what money is available rather than assessing "actual operational requirements."

What board members will decide this week is what should happen next.

That could mean a deeper analysis or immediate action.

Mackie seems certain that change is coming.

"On the efficiency side of things, we have to look (at) the services that are being delivered," he told Metro. "On the effective side, it will force us to understand the value of the service we provide and measure the impact better."

Quoted

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A look back

- Dr. Christopher Mackie was named the Middlesex-London Health Unit's new medical officer of health and CEO in February, replacing Graham Pollett.
- Mackie officially assumed the role earlier this month.
- He previously spent four years as the associate medical officer of health in Hamilton.

Christopher Mackie, Middlesex-London Health Unit medical officer of health and CEO, is pictured Tuesday at his office. MARK SPOWART/FOR METRO

Test drive ended in killing: Cops

Tim Bosma found — dead. Murder to be added to charges as more suspects sought

Police probe the death of Tim Bosma, inset with his wife, Sharlene, at a rural property in North Dumfries Township. ANDREW FRANCIS WALLACE/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE; INSET/FACEBOOK

A 32-year-old Hamilton father who took two men for a test drive last week in a truck he posted for sale was killed that night, police allege, though it's a mystery why.

Tim Bosma's body — "burned beyond recognition" — was found in the Waterloo Region, about 50 kilometres from his home, police said on Tuesday.

A Toronto man is under arrest and was set to be charged Wednesday with first-degree murder, Hamilton police Det. Sgt. Matt Kavanagh said. Investigators were looking for at least two other suspects.

Dellen Millard, 27, was arrested on Friday and is already charged with forcible confinement and theft over $5,000. His lawyer has said he will dispute the charges.

Police were searching two properties Tuesday in the Waterloo area that are owned by Millard, including an airport hangar and a farm. Officers combed the grounds of the farm on foot and on horseback.

Bosma, described as a church-going family man not previously known to police, vanished on May 6 after leaving his home in his pickup truck with two men. The second man police were seeking was described as white and in his early-to-mid-20s.

Police said they were also looking for at least one more person, as video evidence shows another vehicle following Bosma's pickup truck when he left on the test drive, Kavanagh said. Police weren't able to make out the model from the footage, only that it is an "SUV-type vehicle."

A Toronto man earlier took the same two suspects for a test drive of his own truck, also put up for sale online, police have said.

Police found Bosma's truck on Sunday parked in the driveway of Millard's mother's home in Kleinburg, north of Toronto. She has "absolutely no" involvement with the case, police said.

Search warrants were being executed on three vehicles, Kavanagh said. Auto squad investigators were also set to examine vehicles in the airport hangar, he said.

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Tuesday's unknowns

No official motive had been offered for Bosma's death.

- **Police said there was "no connection whatsoever" between Bosma and the suspects before May 6.**
- **Police didn't yet know where Bosma was killed or when his body was burned, only that his remains were found in the Waterloo Region.**
- **The coroner's office had just been brought into the investigation and had not yet established the cause of death.**

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Ashley Smith. Psychiatrist says she had no idea drugs were being forced on teen

A psychiatrist teared up Tuesday as she testified about watching video of prison staff injecting a troubled inmate over her objections.

Dr. Michelle Roy told the Ashley Smith inquest that she was dismayed to discover only recently a "huge" discrepancy between what a nurse described by phone and reality.

"The situation that was described to me was a very severe agitation, that her life was in danger," Roy said.

In fact, the inquest has seen Smith was not out of control at the prison in Joliette, Que., when she prescribed a tranquilizer for Smith over the phone.

Prescribing by phone was a normal practice that relied on the prison nurse giving accurate information, Roy said.

In July 2007, a nurse at Joliette Institution for Women called Roy regarding a particularly harrowing situation.

The teenager, who had a propensity to self-harm and whose mental health had been deteriorating, was apparently in a severely agitated state.

"She had objects in her vagina. She was bleeding. There was a possibility of electrocution," Roy testified.

Dr. Michelle Roy THE CANADIAN PRESS

Roy advised the nurse to put Smith in restraints, prescribed a powerful tranquilizer and recommended an exam at the general hospital.

"My expectation when I gave those orders was to inform security that this patient must be put on restraints immediately, and then offer her medication," Roy said.

Various nurses would call to say Smith was still extremely agitated — something not reflected in the prison video.

Over a 10-hour period, the psychiatrist ended up prescribing five sets of injections for the restrained teen — believing the inmate was accepting them voluntarily. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Waives appeal rights

Abortion doctor cuts deal to avoid a death sentence

An abortion doctor convicted of killing three babies born alive at his clinic dodged a possible death sentence Tuesday in a hasty post-verdict deal.

Dr. Kermit Gosnell, 72, waived his right to appeal in exchange for a sentence of life without parole. Gosnell's advanced age made it unlikely he would be executed before his appeals ran out. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Who has the gall?

Organ harvest one explanation for dead bear in trash

A Winnipeg car-wash employee got a hairy surprise on Sunday when he discovered a dead bear in his business's dumpster.

Najem Al Mehrib got in touch with Manitoba Conservation, who removed the bear. He said he was told the bear's pelt, head and feet were intact, leading to speculation the bear may have been hunted for its gallbladder. METRO IN WINNIPEG

BlackBerry gambles on BBM growth

Orlando, Fla. Company makes its messaging service available on iOS, Android devices

BlackBerry CEO Thorsten Heins speaks at Tuesday's BlackBerry Live conference in Orlando, Fla. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BlackBerry came out swinging on Tuesday with a slate of announcements that included an expansion of its popular BlackBerry Messenger service to its competitors' devices and a new smartphone aimed at emerging markets.

Chief executive Thorsten Heins said the time was right for BBM, a key feature of BlackBerry smartphones, to be available on iPhones, iPads and Google Android devices as he kicked off the company's three-day BlackBerry Live conference.

"BBM actually was a key element of (why) people were going to BlackBerry," he said after the unveiling of the smartphone maker's latest plans.

"We feel this platform and its product are standing on its own legs. That is the time to release BBM to another level and really let BBM flourish on its own."

The move is a gamble for the company, which has many loyal users who have stuck with their BlackBerry devices just to keep access to BBM. But the messaging service has run into competition from other similar options such as WhatsApp and Waterloo, Ont.-based Kik Messenger, both of which are available on BlackBerry and other phones.

The BlackBerry Q5, which was announced Tuesday, will sport a physical keyboard and a 3.1-inch screen. It will be available in several colours including red, black, white and pink in selected markets in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia and Latin America starting in July. The phone isn't expected to be released in North America for now. THE CANADIAN PRESS

U.S. airlines bag $6B in passenger fees

For an airline passenger, this lineup of checked suitcases at a terminal in Atlanta's airport may conjure up nightmares of baggage collection gone wrong. For an airline executive, it may inspire dreams of dancing greenbacks. U.S. airlines raked in more than $6 billion US in baggage and reservation change fees from passengers last year, the highest amount since the fees became common five years ago. Passengers shouldn't expect a break any time soon. Those fees — along with extra charges for boarding early or picking prime seats — have helped return the industry to profitability. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Factory collapse

Loblaw to join Bangladesh factory safety pact

Loblaw Companies Ltd. said Tuesday it will sign a pact to improve fire and building safety in Bangladesh following the collapse of a factory in that country that killed more than 1,100 workers.

The company had items for its Joe Fresh clothing label made in the building.

"This decision reflects the company's pledge to stay in Bangladesh and underscores its firm belief that active collaboration by retail and manufacturing industries, government and non-governmental organization, is critical to driving effective and lasting change in Bangladesh," the company said in a statement. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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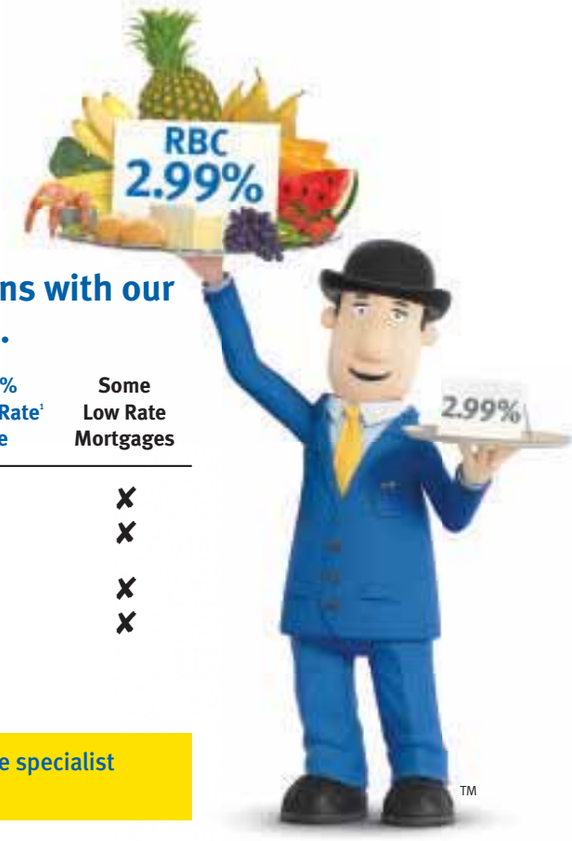

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Beware the tourist trap. It can snag your wallet and never let it go.

In the tourist trap, it's always high season. Take the story of the four British tourists who stopped for an ice cream near Rome's Spanish Steps recently and paid the equivalent of $84 Canadian.

This should be the craziest thing you've ever heard, except it isn't.

I once paid 25 euros for a cup of coffee on the Champs-Élysées, le grand boulevard de Paris, and certainly le plus cher boulevard de Paris. That's about 33 bucks. It was a café au lait, after all. The waiter was outraged that I refused to leave a tip.

"Work it out," I said, "with the extortionist who owns this place," and stalked off.

I'm sure each of us has a horror story to share. As there are tourist traps right here in our own backyard, you don't have to go very far to get fleeced.

Every tourist trap has one thing in common. It's a must-see. You know what you're getting into, but who can resist Venice or Harrods or the pyramids along the Nile or any of the other legendary places that are part of the iconography of our lives?

"I went to Paris and didn't bother with the Champs-Élysées." I don't think so. Just try not to spend any money, which is almost impossible. Breathing the air costs beaucoup de euros.

Meanwhile, back at the world's most expensive ice cream parlour, the proprietors are defending the price, which comes to about $21 a dish. "That's about half a kilo of gelato," a manager who refused to be identified told an inquiring U.K. reporter. Well, all right then, what's the fuss?

Thankfully, the mayor of Rome was embarrassed and offered a personal tour of his city to the tourists, should they ever recover from the shock to their fiscal systems. You can just imagine: "Here's where I buy MY gelato…"

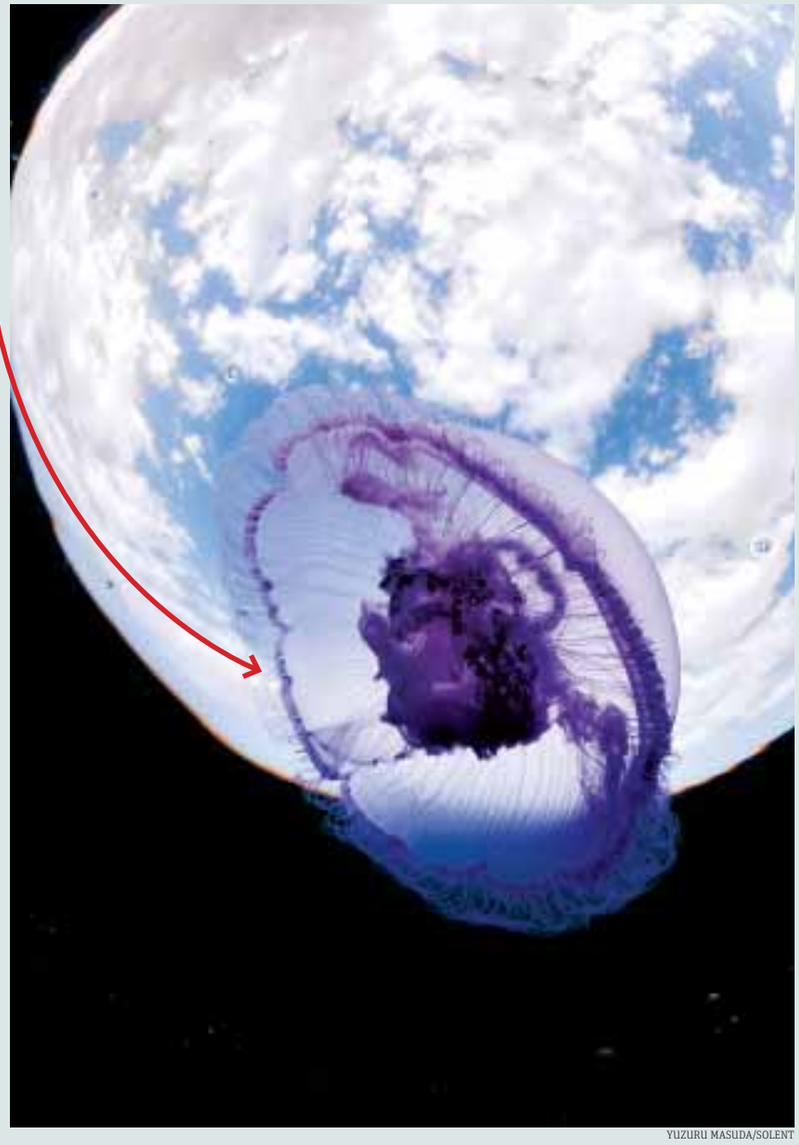
I guess you could argue that this, in the ancient language of Rome, is a case of caveat emptor. Nobody made those people buy the ice cream, and, in fact, the prices were posted — in mouse type. But tourism is hard work, and requires refreshment. And there's something nasty about squeezing the euros out of people who travelled halfway across the world just to visit.

While the mayor of Rome has the good sense to be embarrassed on his city's behalf, so far, I have yet to hear back from the mayor of Paris on the price of a cup of coffee.

Nor, I should add, has he apologized for the cost of the crepe smeared with a dollop of Nutella purchased atop the Eiffel Tower. You think he'd learn.

ZOOM

Seeing UFOs



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I don't think you're ready for this jelly

At first glance, it looks like a mysterious UFO approaching our planet — but this is closer to an unidentified floating object. This beautiful underwater image taken by photographer Yuzuru Masuda shows a moon jellyfish (aurelia aurita) drifting along in the Red Sea near Egypt, with the cloudy sky seemingly above it. **METRO**

It's floating

"To the naked eye underwater, the jellyfish appear a little more pink."
Yuzuru Masuda

Setting up to shoot

To create this rare photograph, Masuda first placed the dome port of his camera's underwater housing beneath the jellyfish. "Using the reflection on the dome port, I managed to snap this shot without causing big ripples on the calm surface," he says on his website. **METRO**

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If you have a minute to spare, type "Atari Breakout" into Google's image search to see how gamer hearts were won this week. But what to do when you're weary of the dated classic? Try taking these free games for a spin, one for the office and one for home.

Candy Box

Prediction: Your eyes will glaze as you watch a counter reward you with candy you can either eat or toss. Stupid, right? Not so fast. Soon you'll be tending lollipop farms and equipping your hero, who looks like this \o/, with swords and potions for epic ASCII RPG adventures. It all adds up to an indefensible addiction. (candies.aniwey.net)

Neverwinter

A recently launched free-to-play fantasy MMO that boasts an incredibly rich quest creation system that makes it an instantly more appealing time sink than the countless games like it. As an added bonus, the community is new enough to have not been overrun by jerks, so hop in early. (nw.perfectworld.com)

Twitter

@metropicks asked: A new report says Canada is giving up on trying to attract U.S. tourists. What tourists are your favourite?

@BrockbyBrock: We love Canadian Tourists here in Guernsey! They come to see General Brock's island home. http://www.isaacbrock.com

@nikolinapapa: I love European tourists! We don't have many though!

@karen_dorward: I have been asked where the floating mall is. According to tourist, the Rideau Mall floats up and down the canal.

@MolinaFacts: Mexicans because #Smallville was huge down there and they are so amazed when they see Van Tech High School or Cloverdale

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Everyone can be a star now

Interview. Robert Kyncl, YouTube's global head of content, reveals the tools needed to propel you to celebrity status

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Even though he holds the keys to the future of entertainment, Robert Kyncl is a remarkably easygoing man. As global head of content at YouTube, Kyncl has successfully steered the company from being a depository for cat videos to a position as a media powerhouse.

What will entertainment's future look like? Metro met Kyncl, a former Czech top athlete with a ready laugh, for an exclusive interview at YouTube's Los Angeles office.

Robert Kyncl, the head of content at YouTube, told Metro how the site had changed the ways of the modern world. HANDOUT

Is TV as a device dead?
No, but there are many other devices, what I call "work machines" — computers, phones, tablets, which are Wi-Fi-enabled and transmit video. Because of this, suddenly we've uncovered a lot of other consumption patterns and demand from consumers for content that doesn't fit the same format as the TV set.

Those changing habits, with viewers spending more time on homemade content, are also blurring the lines between consumer and producer. What does that mean for entertainment's future?
It just means that there are many more creators than in the past. In the past, the entire television industry was based on a closed system: a telecommunications company delivering the content to you into a device that was sitting in your living room. Today it's an open system, where anyone can deliver content to a device, and of course you can still view it on your TV set as well.

How will all of this change our daily lives?
Look at mobile media consumption. For us at YouTube, in the past two years it has gone from six per cent of all of our consumption to 30 per cent. In some countries, like South Korea and Saudi Arabia, it's more than 50 per cent. Mobile devices are becoming the first screen instead of the second screen.

Is that good or bad?
I think it's a good thing. People used to sit around the TV and more or less be quiet. Today people are sharing — that means commenting and having conversations. People start these conversations in text form, but they'll very quickly move over to a live form. Of course, everything has to be in moderation. If everything you do all day is watch YouTube on your smartphone it's not very good.

How much YouTube do you watch everyday?
About half an hour. A couple of years ago it was less than five minutes a day.

What's the key ingredient to success in new media?
On the Internet, you can go directly to the consumer, but you have to do the other parts yourself: analyzing trends and your consumers and quantifying them.

This means that you have to be good in math. Your ability to, for example, expand your YouTube channel will rely on your ability to spot and measure trends with data. Creativity and analytical skills are a phenomenal mix.

So teenagers should brush up on their math?
That's what I tell my daughters every day. And science. And learn how to code!

What will be YouTube's hit shows of the future?
It's difficult to predict. There are shows on YouTube today that are getting audiences larger than shows on TV. But the mainstream audience doesn't know about it, which is why most people don't know about it. We just haven't told the world about it. But we're working on it.

This is Metro's final instalment in the series looking at the future of television.

HOW TO BECOME A YOUTUBE STAR

Vision
Have a vision and be passionate about it.

Flexibility
Be flexible and willing to fail. Fail often. On YouTube it doesn't even cost you anything to fail.

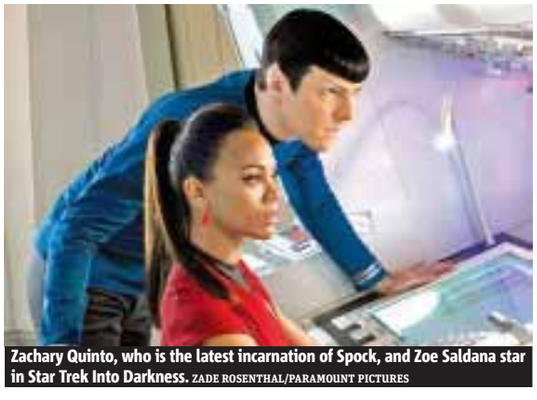
Expand
Expand your YouTube audience by connecting with them on other social media.

Feedback
Ask your audience for feedback. Be dependable but not predictable.

Fun
Remember that it's not just about money.

ADVICE BY LIAM COLLINS, HEAD OF YOUTUBE'S CREATOR SPACE

Star Trek Into Darkness. Logical choices behind creation of Spock



Zachary Quinto, who is the latest incarnation of Spock, and Zoe Saldana star in Star Trek Into Darkness. ZADE ROSENTHAL/PARAMOUNT PICTURES

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On television Mister Spock was the USS Enterprise's first officer — a half human, half Vulcan character prone to saying things like, "It seems logical, Captain," and applying the Vulcan nerve pinch sleeper hold.

The character, first brought to life by Leonard Nimoy in the original Star Trek series from 1966 to 1969, was named one of 50 greatest TV characters and has since appeared in everything from cartoons to video games and SNL parodies to comic books, fan fiction and movies.

This weekend Zachary Quinto dons the pointy ears to play the Starfleet officer in Star Trek Into Darkness, the 12th film to boldly go where no man has gone before.

In advance of the film's release, here are a few things about Spock you never knew.

In the pitch for Star Trek, series creator Gene Roddenberry described the character as "probably half Martian; he has a slightly reddish complexion and semi-pointed ears."

The name of Spock's planet, Vulcan, was created because Roddenberry thought it was possible that man might land on Mars during the run of the show.

The part of Spock was originally offered to DeForest Kelley, who turned down the role in favour of playing Dr. Bones.

Twenty years later, he played Bones and Spock in Star Trek III: The Search for Spock. The role was also offered to Adam West before Nimoy signed on.

Angelina Jolie THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jolie reveals details on surgery to combat risk of breast cancer

Angelina Jolie has taken to the New York Times to reveal that she recently underwent a preventative double mastectomy to combat her genetic risk for breast cancer.

"I choose not to keep my story private because there are many women who do not know that they might be living under the shadow of cancer," she writes. "I can tell my children that they don't need to fear they will lose me to breast cancer. It is reassuring that they see nothing that makes them uncomfortable. They can see my small scars and that's it. Everything else is just Mommy, the same as she always was. And they know that I love them and will do anything to be with them as long as I can. On a personal note, I do not feel any less of a woman. I feel empowered that I made a strong choice that in no way diminishes my femininity."

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Vin Diesel: Facebook owes me

THE WORD
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Vin Diesel has a bone to pick with Facebook.

The Fast & Furious 6 star is taking credit for making celebrity pages popular on the social network, as he was one of the first movie stars to interact with his followers.

"Facebook used to ask me to come up to their office to explain what the f– I was doing and why I had so many fans. What was unique was I never let anyone do a post. I never let anyone post for me in the last four years," he tells Entertainment Weekly. "Facebook really owes me billions of dollars, but whatever."

The secret? Diesel really interacts with his Facebook fans. And Diesel's fans (41,621,431 likes as of press time) return the favour. They are known for creating truly amazing Vin Diesel Facebook art, many with "supposed" inspirational quotes by the actor super-imposed over photos of him. He calls these super-fanatical Diesel fans "Vinangels, Vingypsies, and the various nomadic tribes of the Underverse."

In other news, Vin Diesel is a total weirdo. I love it.

Thieves hit concert venue after Bieber show

Justin Bieber's tour is on hiatus until he hits San Diego next month, but the scandal-plagued international leg wouldn't be complete without one more hitch: After Bieber's last show in Johannesburg, the venue, FNB Stadium, was reportedly robbed, with thieves making off with more than $300,000 from Bieber's show and a Bon Jovi concert the previous night, according to Sky News. "The suspect had gained entry through the roof," a local police spokeswoman says. "They broke the tile ... of the bathroom between [Sunday] night after the concert and this morning." The stolen money had been secured in a safe prior to the theft.

Twitter

@DitaVonTeese
Headed to the Cannes Film Festival this weekend.

@IJasonAlexander
Wise saying: A mind is a terrible thing to waste. But apparently, a gallbladder is expendable.

@RealMichelleT
I ain't afraid of no ghosts.

@SteveMartinToGo
Spent an afternoon with the President of the United States. That's right. I am now 24,434,432 in the in line of succession.

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Mayday, mayday! Last minute long weekend

The first long weekend of the summer is upon us. If you weren't lucky enough to get the coveted cottage invite, fear not — there's plenty to do around Canada's biggest cities. Here's just a sampling of events and attractions to get you out and about this weekend.

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Calgary

Get ready for a wild ride

Western Canada's largest outdoor amusement park opens its gates this weekend. With more than 30 rides on more than 90 acres of land, there's sure to be an attraction for everyone. You'll want to be the first to check out their new attraction: Cinemagic 3D. For more information visit calawaypark.com

Saskatoon

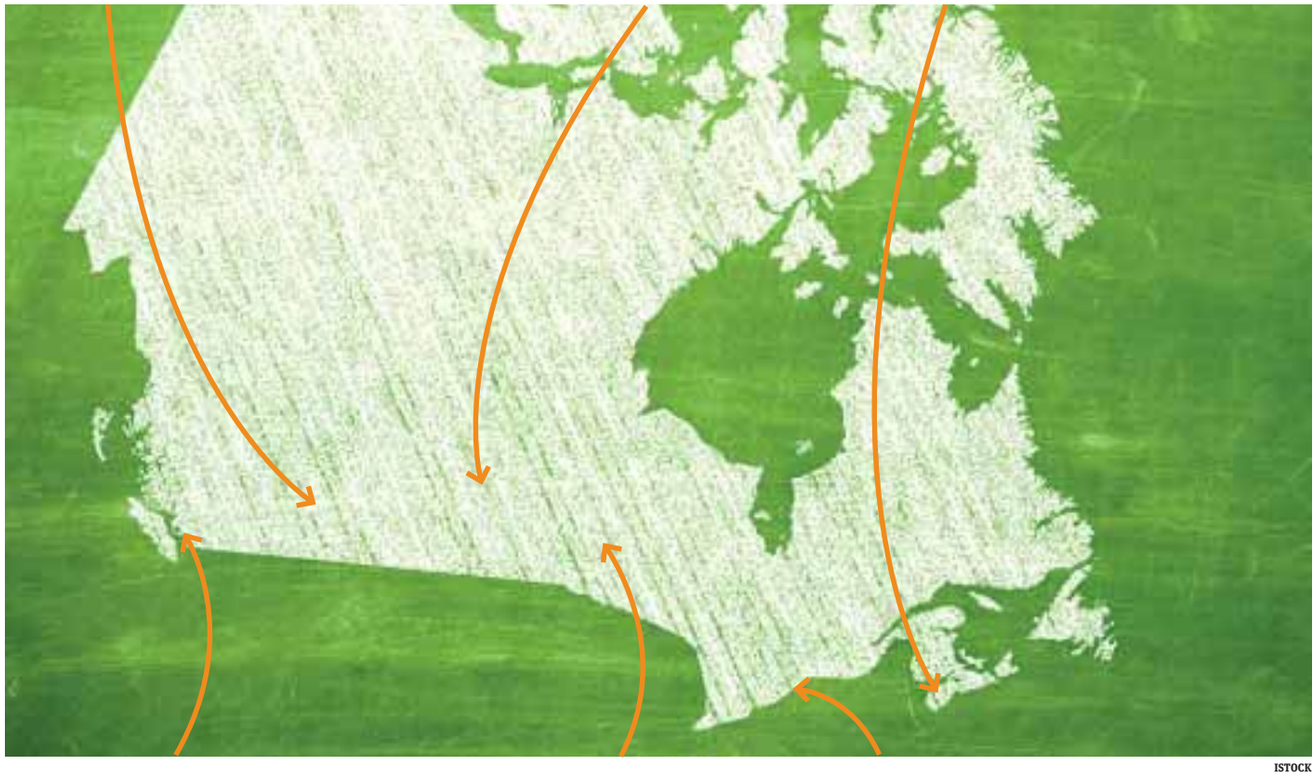
Take in some more hockey

Are you still craving more hockey even though the NHL playoffs are in full swing? Why not check out a game at the 2013 Mastercard Memorial Cup. The CHL round robin tournament begins May 17 and features the champion of the OHL, the WHL, the QMJHL and the host team. For tickets visit mastercard memorialcup.ca

Halifax

Haligonians head to market

Get a taste of the country at Hubbards Farmers' Market. Spend Saturday morning inspecting the wares of 40 local vendors who sell fresh seasonal produce, wine, coffee and fresh flowers. Local artisans and live music is also on hand. hubbardsbarn.org



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Vancouver

Grind it out on the west coast

If you've never attempted the Grouse Grind, this is your weekend. Lace up your hiking boots, grab a friend and tackle the 2.9 kilometre trail up the face of Grouse Mountain. Once at the top, enjoy the view, have some lunch and compare your time — it takes a novice hiker about two hours to complete the hike. grousemountain.com

Winnipeg

Hands up, baby, hands up...

Prairie Dog Central Railway hosts a steam locomotive ride complete with a staged robbery. Keep an eye out for the train robbers on horseback and be prepared to take part in an old-fashioned "hands-up" robbery during the ride to Grosse Isle. Train departs at 11 a.m. on Sunday. For tickets and more information, visit pdcrailway.com

Toronto

Meet the pandas

After their long journey from China and their meeting with Prime Minister Stephen Harper, the Giant Pandas Er Shun and Da Mao are ready to greet visitors at the Toronto Zoo. The exhibit opens May 18. But don't worry if you can't make opening day — they'll be in Toronto for the next 10 years. torontozoo.com

That's apples and oranges — literally — in sour cream cake

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Ingredients

Topping
- 1/3 cup packed brown sugar
- 3 tbsp chopped pecans
- 1 1/2 tbsp all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp margarine or butter
- 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon

Filling
- 2 cups chopped peeled apples
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1 tbsp granulated sugar
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon

Cake
- 2/3 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1/3 cup vegetable oil
- 2 eggs
- 1 tbsp grated orange zest
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 2/3 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1/2 cup light sour cream

You can substitute the raisins for dried cranberries and apples for pears if desired

1. Topping: In bowl, combine brown sugar, pecans, flour, margarine and cinnamon.

2. Filling: In a bowl mix apples, raisins, sugar and cinnamon.

3. Cake: In food processor, beat together brown sugar, granulated sugar and oil. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each. Mix in orange zest and vanilla extract.

4. In a separate bowl, stir together flour, baking powder and baking soda. In another bowl, stir together orange juice and sour cream. Add flour mixture and sour cream mixture alternately to beaten sugar mixture, mixing just until blended. Spoon half of batter into prepared pan. Top with half of apple mixture. Spoon remaining batter into pan. Top with remaining apple mixture; sprinkle with topping.

5. Preheat oven to 350 F. Bake 45 to 50 minutes, in a 10-inch springform pan sprayed with vegetable spray, or until cake tester inserted in centre comes out clean. Cool on a wire rack.

ROSE REISMAN LIGHT VEGETARIAN COOKING (ROBERT ROSE) BY ROSE REISMAN

Sour Cream Orange Apple Cake

This recipe serves 14. Each serving contains 284 calories and 9 grams of fat. MARK SHAPIRO, FROM ROSE REISMAN LIGHT VEGETARIAN COOKING (ROBERT ROSE)

Drink of the Week

Apple & Vanilla Collins

- 1.5 oz Luksusowa
- .75 oz lemon juice
- .50 oz vanilla syrup*
- .75 oz apple purée
- Top up: soda water
- Garnish: Lemon peel and apple wedge

Shake first four ingredients and pour into a highball glass filled with ice cubes. Top up with soda water and garnish.

Vanilla Syrup*
- 1 cup each sugar and water
- 1 tsp vanilla extract

In saucepan, bring sugar and water to boil. Reduce heat and simmer until syrupy, about 5 minutes. Add vanilla extract. Pour into jar.

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Homegrown Canadian rhubarb shines in spring trifle

1. Macaroons: In bowl, whisk egg whites until stiff peaks form. Add sugar, 30 ml (2 tbsp) at a time, beating well after each addition. Whiz almonds in food processor until very finely ground, then fold into meringue mixture.

2. Heat oven to 180 C (350 F). Line a baking tray with parchment paper and use a teaspoon to spoon about 25 small pyramids of the almond mixture onto it, spacing a few centimetres apart. Bake 15 minutes or until golden brown. Lift parchment paper from tray with macaroons still on it and transfer to a wire rack to cool.

Ingredients

Macaroons
- 2 egg whites
- 100 g (1/2 cup) superfine sugar
- 100 g (1/2 cup) almonds

Rhubarb
- 500 g (1 lb) rhubarb, trimmed and cut into 2.5-cm (1-inch) pieces
- 75 g (1/3 cup) superfine sugar

Cream
- 1 vanilla pod
- 2 egg yolks
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) superfine sugar
- 300 ml (1 1/4 cups) double cream or whipping cream

This recipe serves four. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

3. Rhubarb: Reduce oven temperature to 150 C (300 F). Rinse rhubarb in cold water and drain well. Place in an ovenproof dish, stir in sugar and bake 15 minutes. Remove from oven and let cool.

4. Cream: Cut vanilla pod in half lengthwise and scrape out seeds with tip of knife. Place seeds in a bowl with egg yolks and sugar and beat until pale and fluffy. In a separate bowl, whip cream until it forms soft peaks and fold it into egg mix. Place cream mix in refrigerator to chill.

5. Break macaroons into small chunks. Now everything is ready to finish the trifle. You can either do it immediately so that layers become soft and melded, or wait until just before serving so that trifle is crunchy.

6. In each of 4 serving glasses, place a layer of cream at the bottom. Add rhubarb, then macaroons, and repeat the layers so that there are two of each ingredient.

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Identify your beef before going to battle

What's your type?
Five strategies for solving your specific student conflict

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In our day-to-day lives, we are all faced with various conflicts that we must deal with.

In the context of the school environment, you might have a falling out with someone in your class project group, or perhaps even with your teacher. Whatever the conflict may be, it must be resolved as soon as possible in a mature and effective manner so that the problem does not escalate.

Depending on the situation you are in, the other parties involved and what their needs and wants are, as well as where each party stands on the power spectrum and the urgency of the situation, there are a number of different handy conflict-resolution strategies that can be used to effectively mitigate and resolve the problem.

If a tense situation is taking over your study sessions, it's time to plan out a pact. ISTOCK

Read below to find out more about five common conflict resolution strategies that might be of use to you.

Competitive
This type of conflict-resolution strategy can be very useful if you are 100 per cent unyielding and unwilling to give in to the other party. But keep in mind that this strategy should only be used when you have a firm stand in the situation and you come from a position of power. Specifically, this strategy will be the most useful in times of emergency, where a decision regarding the most appropriate actions to be taken is required right away.

Collaborative
Collaborative conflict resolution comes in handy when you need to work together to meet the needs of all parties involved. In this type of conflict situation, a very high level of importance is placed on effective co-operation. Use this approach when you know you will be (or are likely to be) dealing with that party again.

Compromise
This type of conflict-resolution strategy should be used when you truly want to ensure that the solution will be satisfactory for all involved. In this scenario, each party involved must be willing to give in on some demands to come to the end solution.

Accommodate
This type of conflict-resolution strategy should be used when you are willing to meet the needs of others, but at your own cost. This strategy is not the overly-assertive type, but rather a more co-operative approach. Here, a very high level of importance is placed on achieving peace rather than winning.

The avoidance approach

This type of conflict-resolution strategy should be used when you simply want to avoid the conflict altogether.

- This is a good approach to use when you are just about at the end of your dealing with that party and will not have to deal with them again. Sometimes, the best thing to do is to simply keep your cool and avoid any problems altogether.

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Calm the cubicle storm

Get conflict resolution right.
Ways to talk through the tornado that's been circling your office space

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When someone showcases inappropriate behaviour, especially in a workplace setting, it can create a negative work atmosphere in which other co-workers feel uninterested to do their work and even customers don't want to deal with that particular business. Whether the need for the confrontation arises in a work or personal setting, here are handy tips on how you should go about confronting that certain someone:

Be objective
Don't let your emotions get in the way — stay both morally and emotionally objective.

Stay focused on the issue at hand
Always remain focused on the initial issue, and confront tihe person's behaviour.

Consistency
Try to be consistent in your approach and in what you do and say.

Laugh it up
It can be a very good idea to employ humour. This shows you are human and that you can make light of the situation. It's also a good way of cutting through the emotional tension.

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Who knew that the perfect partnership could be forged by asking a few key questions. ISTOCK

I had coffee with an old friend (let's call her "Meggan") the other day, and she excitedly told me about how she had interviewed for a position, was offered the job, and now just had to sign a contract.

I asked Meggan if she had already signed the contract, and she said that she planned to that evening, commenting: "I made sure that they spelled my name right, and that I was offered the wage they promised … I'm set!"

While Meggan's enthusiasm to quickly sign back the contract was understandable, it may not have been in her best interest, especially long term. I explained to Meggan that this contract is like any other relationship she forms, and she needs to take time to make sure it is providing her with what she needs, and even with what she wants.

The advantage with an employment relationship, as opposed to other relationships (family, friends, significant others) is that it often begins with a clear expression of what the relationship will involve: the employment contract.

I told Meggan to look for the following key elements in the employment contract:

Who are you in the relationship with?

The parties to an employment relationship will usually be set out at the beginning of the employment contract. The employer will be the person (natural person or company) you are responsible to; and the person that is responsible to you, particularly if the relationship sours.

What do you provide for the employer, and what do you get in return?

Your position may be clearly set out in the employment contract, or in an appendix to the employment contract. It is important to review these responsibilities to ensure it is truly the position you sought out.

Similarly, the contract should set out what you are receiving in return for your work. This may be an hourly wage, an annual salary, or a commission. These payments may also be supplemented with a bonus, health benefits and perks such as a vehicle or expense reimbursement. If the employer is offering a bonus, make sure you know what the bonus plan terms are, and what you must do to be eligible for a bonus.

It's over, baby

What are you entitled to when the relationship ends?

- When the relationship ends for just cause, the employer need not provide you with any money for severing the relationship (severance pay) or any form of notice. Just cause terminations can take immediate effect.
- When you choose to resign from a position, you are forfeiting any claim you may have to severance pay, because you are the party ending the relationship. However, keep in mind that resignations cannot take immediate effect (unless the employer agrees otherwise), and you will likely need to provide some length of notice to your employer, so that they can make a transition plan.
- When the relationship ends without "just cause", you have minimum entitlements. There is an entitlement to notice (or pay in lieu), which is based on your length of service (one week per year of service), and is currently capped at eight weeks' compensation. In some circumstances, you may also have a right to statutory severance pay once you've worked for more than five years. Your contract should provide that you receive at least these minimum entitlements.

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MLB

Getting the hook: Jays' Santos to undergo surgery

Toronto Blue Jays right-hander Sergio Santos will undergo elbow surgery this week and is expected to be out of the lineup for six weeks.

General manager Alex Anthopoulos called the procedure a "minor cleanup" to shave down bone spurs and clean out loose bodies in the right elbow area.

Santos, who went on the disabled list a month ago with a right triceps injury, has pitched a few times in extended spring training. Anthopoulos said Santos's velocity was lower than usual last Saturday and the decision was made to have the procedure.

Santos missed almost all of last season after undergoing shoulder surgery. He is 0-1 with a 2.08 earned-run average in five appearances this year.

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Basketball

Jayhawks land No. 1 recruit

Top basketball prospect Andrew Wiggins will play his college basketball at Kansas.

The six-foot-eight Toronto native signed a letter-of-intent Tuesday, choosing the Jayhawks over Kentucky, North Carolina and Florida State.

The ceremony ended the frenzied pursuit of the Huntington Prep star, who averaged 23.4 points and 11.2 rebounds per game this season.

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Maple Leafs and Bruins players shake hands after Game 7 of their first-round series in Boston on Monday night. CHARLES KRUPA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nipping a stunning loss in the Buds

NHL playoffs. Coach Carlyle says rocky ride provides valuable insight into players

For the Bruins, it was a defining moment. For the Maple Leafs, it was a shocking step into a playoff abyss that one day will go down as a learning experience.

But for now, a lockout-shortened NHL season is long on pain for Toronto.

And for coach Randy Carlyle, the post-mortem on Monday night's 5-4 overtime collapse against Boston will have to wait until the swelling, so to speak, goes down.

"Well, losing is tough and losing the way we did after a 4-1 lead, there's nothing you can say to explain how and why it happened," he told reporters at TD Garden. "It happened. And for us as a coaching staff, we'll take some time in the next couple of days and we'll evaluate and let the emotions subside here a little bit before we meet. We'll be doing a lot of assessing between now and the (June 30) draft, I'm sure."

The Leafs played Game 7 without injured top-line centre Tyler Bozak and tough defenceman Mark Fraser. But the Bruins were missing defencemen Wade Redden and Andrew Ference, and Dennis Seidenberg played just 37 seconds before limping off the ice.

I can be your hero, baby

Patrice Bergeron became the third player in NHL history to score a Game 7 overtime goal after recording the final goal of regulation in the same game. The others were Boston's Brad Park in 1983 against the Sabres and Buffalo's Derek Plante against Ottawa in 1997.

Monday's roller-coaster ride, while hard to stomach, provides Carlyle valuable data with which to rate his young, playoff-green club.

"When you get in situations like this you see the character, you see the clawing and scratching and fighting for space on the ice," he said. "And there are some people that really elevated their play. It does change your opinion on some individuals and then (for) some other people, it reinforces what you thought."

For the Bruins, Monday night was a turning point in what coach Claude Julien called a Jekyll and Hyde season. While Boston's regular season ended in disarray, the Bruins could have lost and further cemented their reputation as a team that makes life difficult for itself by not closing our series.

Instead, a snarling Milan Lucic and resurgent Patrice Bergeron stepped up and helped carry Boston to the second round. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Net gain: Smith makes case for Olympics

With his play at the IIHF World Championship, Mike Smith is making his case to make Canada's next Olympic team. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Mike Smith has gone from a goaltender no NHL team wanted to a candidate for Canada's next Olympic team.

The 31-year-old from Kingston is currently clearing a hurdle to making it to the Sochi Games — a lack of international hockey experience.

Smith was Canada's starter in the key games of the preliminary round at the IIHF World Championship. The Phoenix Coyotes goalie posted a 33-save shutout against Sweden, who Canada will face again in Thursday's quarter-final.

He also made 24 saves in a 2-1 win over the Czech Republic. In his world championship debut, Smith had 26 saves in regulation and six of eight in a 3-2 shootout loss to the Swiss.

"You dream to play for your country, whether it's in the world championships or the Olympics or whatever the tournament is," Smith said. "It's a great opportunity to showcase what I can do over here on the international stage and hopefully I can turn some heads."

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Slow and steady

"It was an endurance race for me. Not a sprint."

Goaltender Mike Smith was drafted 161st overall by the Dallas Stars and spent his first half-dozen years as a pro in the minors, but has found success since joining the Phoenix Coyotes in 2011.

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2013 Volkswagen Golf GTI

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2013 Volkswagen Golf GTI

- **Type.** Two or four-door, front-wheel-drive compact hatchback
- **Engines (hp).** 2.0-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (200hp)
- **Transmissions.** Six-speed manual with twin-clutch automated manual in (DSG)
- **Base price (incl. destination)** $30,800

Design

Since it is Golf-based, the GTI benefits from that model's uncomplicated design and generously sized hatch opening. From that point, VW replaces the nose with a blacked-out egg-crate grille and installs a larger air intake and running lights below the bumper.

Change gears on the steering wheel.

Fuel Economy

Selecting the DSG assures you of rapid-fire shifts, in as little as four-hundredths of a second (faster than an average automatic transmission), and contributes to the GTI's estimated fuel economy of 8.7 l/100 km in the city and 6.3 on the highway, compared to 9.9/6.7 if you stick with the stick.

Engine

Drivers will enthuse over the standard 2.0-litre turbocharged four-cylinder engine that generates 200 horsepower and 207 pound-feet of torque. By comparison, base Golfs make do with a 2.5-litre five-cylinder with 170 horsepower and 177 pound-feet of torque.

Review. Competitors will struggle to outdo the solid, sporty Golf

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The formula for producing the GTI is a simple one. Start with one standard-issue Volkswagen Golf two or four-door hatchback, drop in a spunky engine and other sporty content and watch them literally fly out of dealer showrooms.

Sounds straightforward enough, yet surprisingly few automotive brands have dared challenge Volkswagen's three-decade-long domination of the performance-infused compact-car niche. And the few that do, including Mazdaspeed3, Honda Civic Si, Mini Cooper and most recently the Ford Focus ST, have a tough fight on their hands.

The sixth-generation GTI that came to our shores for the 2010 model year is due for replacement late this year or the spring of next, and will originate from VW's production facility in Mexico. That means if you're looking to acquire an honest-to-goodness German-manufactured GTI, this could be your final opportunity.

Of course the GTI shares the Golf's ability to stow about as much luggage as most mid-size sedans. That makes the GTI a useful as well as a sporty vehicle. The GTI further distances itself from mainstream Golfs with its well-bolstered front seats with plaid inserts, as did the very first GTI.

Gear changes can be left to the transmission to figure out or they can be controlled manually using finger-controls on the steering wheel (or by toggling the floor shifter).

The DSG also includes a launch-control program that, when the GTI is stopped, allows you to rev up the engine before the clutch is engaged. The result is an extra-quick start compared to manual-trans versions, with minimal wheelspin.

On the open road, the sport-tuned suspension, consisting of stiffer front and rear anti-sway bars, helps the GTI remain relatively flat through the turns while maximizing steering control. In addition, larger-diameter front and rear disc brake rotors deliver some serious stopping power for the 1,375-kilogram hatchback.

The brakes deliver above average stopping power.

GTI pricing begins at $30,800 ($31,800 for the four-door), which includes destination charges, all the go-fast stuff plus most key comfort necessities. A convenience package featuring a power sunroof and touch-screen audio controls is optional. Beyond that, adding a navigation system, push-button start, leather-covered seats, pivoting headlights, premium sound system and more exotic wheels will push you into the $40,000 region.

However you choose to equip your GTI, you will be piloting a seriously competent sports machine famous for its quick reflexes and with a level of road-holding agility that other compact models of any stripe can only dream of.

Compare

1 Chevrolet Sonic RS
Base price: $25,100

2 Mazdaspeed3
Base price: $31,800

3 Ford Focus ST
Base price: $31,650

Sublime green slime: Algae's time is now

Autopilot. It may cling to seaside rocks but it also eats carbon and makes a lot of bio fuel

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Mention algae today and one adjective invariably comes to mind: delicious.

But, seriously, down the road a bit, algae might be better known as a transportation bio-fuel, especially if Canada's National Research Council (NRC) has its way.

NRC recently teamed up with a few savvy industry partners to build a demonstration-scale "algan refinery" near Bonnyville, Alta., in the heart of oil-sands country.

People have long known about the bio-fuel potential of algae — it grows super fast, and it is comprised of a lot of natural oil (about 30 per cent by mass).

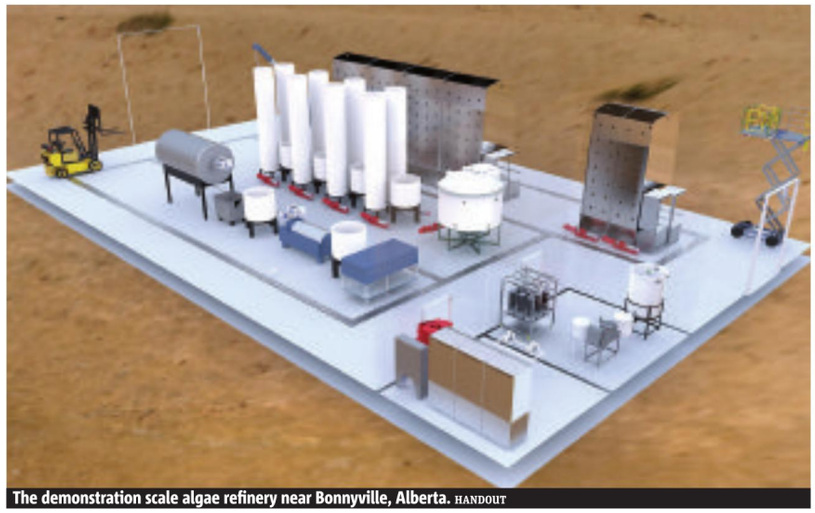
But this project is notable on two fronts: the way it is integrated into other industries and the size of its cultivation pot — 100,000 litres.

Give us your unwanted carbon

The project is officially known as the Algan Carbon Conversion Project. The pilot plant will be attached to another plant, part of the operations of Canadian Natural, an independent crude oil and natural gas producer. The plant has an impressive final emission stack. Like all plants, algae love carbon dioxide — it's what they breathe. So they love that emission stack. Previous efforts to commercialize bio-fuel from algae were evaluated on the bio-fuel alone, says Aleks Patrzykat. "The idea here is to have an algan plant that will capture carbon dioxide from industrial emissions."

Big pots equal big volume

The algae will be grown in one of the biggest pots ever devoted to algae production. Patrzykat says the 100,000-litre cultivation vessel should be the same large size employed by future algae bio-fuel production plants. They would just have lots of them, instead of just the one. Such a vessel full of algae would net out about 10 per cent bio-fuel, or 10,000 litres. The rest of the biomass might be messy but still good, says Patrzykat, noting that depending on local circumstances, it could be used for cattle feed or fertilizer. For the record, Patrzykat is not sure how cattle feel about the taste of algae. Since it would be used more as a protein supplement for cattle feed, my guess is that the algae flavour would be subtle, like a herb. The more important point, says Patrzykat, is that the bio-mass be something that can be used by the local economy, so you don't spend a lot of energy moving it around. It's bulky stuff. Same for the carbon dioxide going into the system; CO2 is expensive to store and transport.



The demonstration scale algae refinery near Bonnyville, Alberta. HANDOUT

Making a Dent

Usually when a new alternative fuel technology and/or fuel source comes along it's great news, but news always tempered with the reality that we use more than three trillion litres of petroleum products each and every day! Canada uses about 81 million litres a day. Excuse me for stating the obvious, but that's a lot of petroleum. How do you replace those kinds of trillions and millions of litres? Maybe you start with bio-fuel made from algae feedstock. "Say in 50 years, we have a plant in each location, where it would be viable," says Patrzykat. "That would be enough plants to take care of 20 per cent of Canadian industrial emissions… It would also give you 6.2 billion litres of fuel. If it were jet fuel, that would be enough to fly WestJet and Air Canada for a year."

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Canada license plates made by the inmates

Driving Force. Whether it be regular or personalized, 800 are made an hour by the country's prisons

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With more than 1.6 million new vehicles sold every year, Canadians need a lot of license plates to go on them. It's a full-time job making them, but you wouldn't want to apply for it in Ontario: they're made by prison inmates.

"Ontario license plates are manufactured at the Lindsay Correctional Facility," says Ciaran Ganley, spokesman for the Ministry of Government Services. "Most vehicle license plates appear in pairs, but other motor vehicles have a single license plate, including motorcycle, off-road, moped and trailer."

Making a plate is a five-step process, starting with the production of blanks, which are plates that don't yet have their numbers. A laminate sheet is made that includes "Ontario" at the top and a slogan at the bottom, usually "Yours to Discover."

The laminate is glued onto a coil of aluminum, and a press stamps out individual plates and cuts mounting holes into them. Some 800 are made each hour.

The blanks go to an embossing press, where workers set in the dies to stamp the letters and numbers. Regular plates go quickly, since only one or two numbers must be changed in sequence. Personalized plates slow everything down, since the die has to be completely reset. If a pair of plates is needed, the machine stamps two blanks at once.

The plate printing machine in use. PHOTO COURTESY MINISTRY OF GOVERNMENT SERVICE

To colour the letters and numbers, the plate is fed into a machine that uses heat to apply a foil coating to the raised portion. Finally, the plates are put in plastic bags and visually inspected for quality. Any defective plates are destroyed, while the rest are boxed for distribution.

Ontario plates are colour-coded.

Car, motorcycle and trailer plates use blue letters on a white background. Commercial vehicle, bus and farm plates use black on white; diplomat plates are white on red; dealer plates are red on white; and green plates are for electric vehicles.

"For personalized plates, any combination of letters or numbers may be ordered, provided the combination is available and meets the established criteria," Ganley says. Off-limits are plates deemed obscene, derogatory, abusive, sexual, religious (except for religious titles), violent, discriminatory, or that describe drugs, alcohol, or criminal activity.

Things to note

- Until 1973, Ontario motorists got new license plates annually, stamped with the year. Renewal stickers were introduced for 1974.
- Most series plates (non-personalized) do not use G, I, O, Q or U, which could cause readability issues for law enforcement purposes.
- Ontario plates can be ordered with the French version of the province's "Yours to Discover" slogan, "Tant à découvrir."

New green plates are now coming in. JIL MCINTOSH

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Treat life as one big party and that is exactly what it will be, to you at least. Actually it's you who is the party — wherever you go fun and laughter goes.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
You need to develop a more detached view of possessions. What happens over the next few days will make you realize that there are many more important things in this life than dollars and cents.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
With Mercury, your ruler, moving into your sign today, you won't lack for ideas or the energy necessary to carry them out. Don't try to change the world: just do one little thing better than everyone else.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
You must not allow yourself to get depressed, no matter how disheartening the news may be. The key to happiness and success is your imagination: Take negative emotions and use them in positive ways.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
There is a lot you can do to change people's attitudes but that does not mean you will succeed. You have a right to have your say, but others have the right to disagree.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
As you think so you are, so think only positive thoughts today and watch in amazement how quickly and easily your dreams come true. Make sure important people know what you can do.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Don't waste time asking friends if they approve of what you intend to do: just do it and let them take it any way they want. The time has come to be decisive. Yes, you can do it!

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You will be at your most resolute today. You won't let anyone stop you from following your star. Just make sure your aims are not too outrageous. Listen to expert advice, and maybe act on it.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
There is no way you can avoid facing the harsh truth about a partnership or friendship that is going through choppy waters at the moment. Once that truth has been faced though you can start making positive changes.

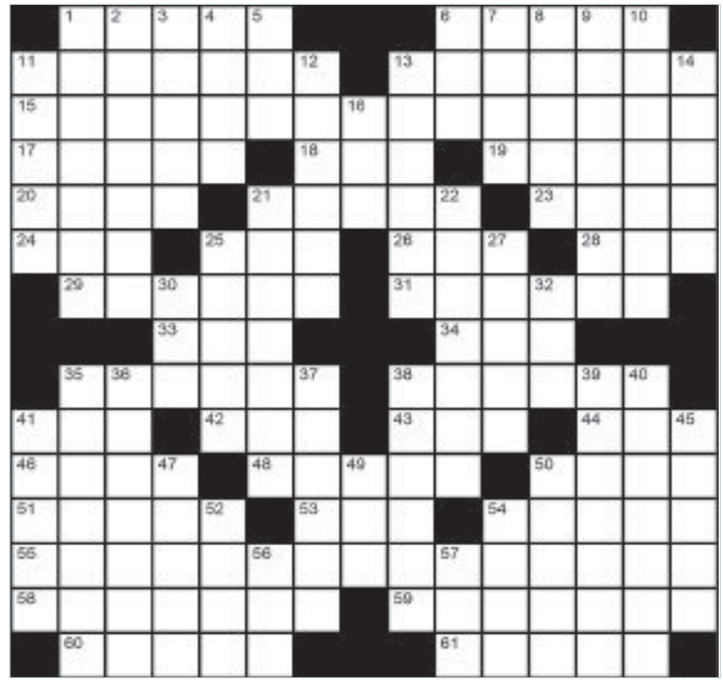
♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You may think you can push yourself beyond your usual limits with no ill effects but common sense says otherwise. If you don't listen, you may have to deal with an unexpected wellbeing issue.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Something you have been wishing for no longer looks so unlikely and over the next few days you can take giant steps towards making it a reality. All things are possible.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Some kind of showdown is likely today but that's good because the air needs to be cleared. Once it is done, make clear to loved ones you don't hold a grudge. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

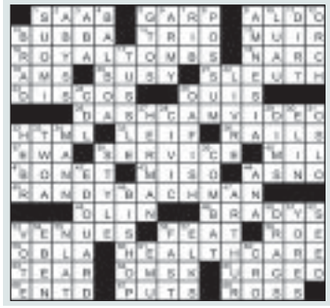
BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



Across
1. __ metal
6. Goes to the mall
11. Villain's strategies, perhaps
13. Tommy __ (Kiefer Sutherland's grandfather who was Premier of Saskatchewan)
15. "O Canada" verse: "__ __ __ in all thy sons command."
17. Diamonds, informally
18. Granny, in Germany
19. Grand __ National Park, Wyoming
20. Classes
21. "Jeez! I have no idea."
23. Take aback
24. Completely
25. Beach shelter
26. Retro albums, e.g.
28. Time division
29. Kinds of cars
31. Ally of "The Breakfast Club" (1985)
33. One official lang.
34. Building extension
35. Make less strong
38. Says something is so
41. The 21st, e.g.
42. Cry
43. G'days
44. Cable channel
46. Ill-considered, as a decision
48. Golden gymnast at Montreal's 1976 Olympics, Ms. Comaneci
50. Dull
51. __. __. (Periodic table figs.)
53. "Aaaii-__!!" (Comic book scream)
54. Word form for 'Nerve'
55. Canadian __ __ __ and Freedoms
58. Pre-popped popcorns
59. Woeful story: 2 wds.
60. "Touched by an Angel" star Della
61. Pretty perennial

Down
1. Dead Sea __
2. Have a little laugh
3. Is in need of Febreze
4. Rocker's li'l speakers
5. One of some in a Green Giant can
6. "Wellll...?"
7. Sci-Fi character, Jabba the __
8. Stares
9. Secretly planned
10. Appetizing
11. Narrow groove
12. Pub's servings of Guinness
13. Actresses Lane and Ladd
14. Medicinal plant
16. Watergate President's monogram
21. Castle's prison
22. She whom Hamlet courts
25. Moviedom's Tom
27. Ms. Ward of TV, and others
30. Narcotics-fighting agcy. in The States
32. Mr. Roth
35. The __ Network (Canadian forecast channel)
36. Catch
37. Pro basketball players
38. Bosses
39. "The medium is the message." - Marshall __
40. In a clever manner
41. Sidewalk sight
45. Late-'60s hit: "__ Were the Days"
47. Sir William Cornelius Van __ (Canadian Pacific Railway bigwig in the 1800s)
49. __ volente (God willing)
50. "I __ __ differ..."
52. Jeanne d'Arc, et al.
54. Brood of pheasants
56. 'Client' suffix (Patronage)
57. Music genre

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku

3	9	4	2	6	7	1	8	5
1	6	2	3	8	5	9	4	7
8	5	7	9	4	1	2	3	6
4	1	5	7	9	2	3	6	8
9	7	3	6	5	8	4	1	2
6	2	8	4	1	3	5	7	9
2	8	6	5	3	4	7	9	1
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7	4	1	8	2	9	6	5	3

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